

Hoodlumism in the Country Towns.

Our city friends are becoming greatly exercised this summer over the condition of the country places in New England, and addresses and editorials are full of good advice. Much of this savors of theory rather than actual experience and close touch with the conditions that prevail. Nevertheless, it may be profitable for instruction.

At a recent field-day meeting of a memorial association, held at Northfield, Mass., for the purpose of dedicating stones marking historical sites in that town, Edwin D. Mead, Esq., of Boston, editor of the New England Magazine, was one of the speakers. Among other things he said, if we are able to trust the newspaper report, pointing out the significance of memorial stones, of historical society, and of public library. "The fostering of these things will wipe out vandalism and the hoodlum from country towns." Is not this putting it rather strong? Is it not akin to the doctrine that has been advanced that an improvement of manners in country life will be followed by a reform of morals? Without question, there is a close relation between manners and morals. But is there not a radical error in the order given, and the cause put for the effect? Without question, there is an elevating influence in public libraries, historical societies, and memorial stones. But are these not the effect of the civic spirit that grows out of a renewed life rather than the efficient cause?

After all that has been said, is there anything better than the country church to elevate the life of the country community? With all its imperfections, it has done a work in the past that few are too blind to recognize or too prejudiced to acknowledge. Has it not a work for the future? Vital with the divine life, it is ready to take on forms adapted to the needs of today, and to spiritually regenerate lives that are capable of being molded in the divine image. In country life there is no better agent of reform than the faithful minister of the gospel, and no more efficient police than the modest missionary of the cross.

When the prince of Wales visited India some years ago it was found necessary for him to be placed beneath a golden umbrella in order that the people might easily recognize his person.

Grace and Glitter.

Heavy fairs are much in vogue for winter gowns. Many of the elaborate trimmings in jet will be duplicated in braid trimmings for very dressy visiting and street gowns of camel-hair, gloveskin and fine cloth.

The Lafayette and Medici collars, both of which are enlisted in the service of top garments, have many points in common.

Tabs appear at the bottom of a double-breasted Eton jacket and likewise in the collar.

Bell sleeves supplement coat sleeves in another newly designed Eton jacket.

Of necessity autumn hats are heavy. Both the trimming and shaping materials makes them so. Far less decoration, however, is employed than some seasons past, and what there is is confined mostly to the left side, where, in many instances, it assumes a towering height. That this arrangement will be modified as the season advances may be safely presupposed. Not every woman can or will adopt such an exaggeration, modish though it may be.

In a mixed camel-hair not unlike chevot in appearance, though infinitely softer in texture, white hairs and spots are thrown up on the surface, which in this particular class presents neutral colors. The spots suggest the knots peculiar to Scotch mixtures, though they are less prominent. Camel-hair epine is a novelty that cannot but please. It is corded like velours, though it retains the softness of camel-hair. It is offered in mixtures of navy-blue and gold, red and black, green and maroon, black and plum, and green and black, and over each is a sprinkling of fine white hairs. The colors in another variety of mixed camel-hair sift through a network of fine white threads with fascinating effect.

Plaid camel-hairs in both fancy and clan colors are varied by large black squares composed of thickly clustered hairs, and in addition there are isolated fibres, also in black, thrust apparently into the hollows of the squares. Mode, red and blue, brown, tan and navy-blue, and green, blue and dark-red are some of the color blendings in the fancy plaids, the attractiveness of which is accentuated by the black squares. The green, blue and black tartan peculiar to the clan of Sutherland looks particularly well with this sable decoration.

Black pencil stripes mark another variety of camel-hair with blue, brown, green, plum and gray grounds which bristle with white threads. Colored and black checks distinguish a very stylish weave of camel-hair; besides the hairs there are dashes of color in strong contrast with the checks.—From *The Delineator*.

Kansas Judge Coins a Word.

They were discussing various things in the clerk of the supreme court's office the other day, that is, a party of judges were. Finally the talk drifted on the subject of coining words and phrases. Mr. Justice Allen made the remark: "I coined a new word the other day. It is a good one, I think, and perfectly natural, but I have been unable to find it in any dictionary. The word is 'enforceability.'" The lawyers present studied awhile and finally all agreed that the word would be very useful, and fit certain cases exactly. Chief Justice Doster declared that he once used a word that exactly described a certain case, and it seemed to him that it was by far the best term to apply. The word he used was "obtention," meaning the act of obtaining. Judge Doster finally discovered the word in a rare old work on interstate law.

REVOLUTIONARY HEROINE.

Records Show Deborah Gannett Was a Massachusetts Soldier.

The fact that there was another New England woman besides Moll Pitcher who won fame at the cannon's mouth has recently been brought to light as the result of an inquiry at the pension bureau. There is a certain lady living in Massachusetts who is anxious to become a Daughter of the Revolution. She believed that her genealogy could be traced back to revolutionary times through the records of the interior department. To prove this fact she wrote to the secretary of the interior, asking information as to the alleged military service of Deborah Gannett, her ancestor, who was said to have served as an enlisted soldier in the revolutionary war as a member of the Massachusetts infantry. Her belief was confirmed by the receipt of the following letter:

"Madam: In response to your recent inquiry, referred to the bureau by Hon. Webster Davis, acting secretary of the interior, I have the honor to advise you that Deborah Gannett, a woman who served in the revolutionary war under the name of Robert Shurtliff, made an application for pension on September 14, 1818, at which time she was 59 years of age and residing at Sharon, Mass., and her pension was allowed for two years' actual service as a private in the Massachusetts troops, revolutionary war. It appears that she enlisted in the month of April, 1781, and served in Capt. George Webb's company, in the Massachusetts regiment commanded by Col. Shepherd, afterward by Col. Jackson, until about the month of November, 1783, when she was honorably discharged. During the time of her service she was wounded at Tarrytown (probably in the second battle of that place), and was also present at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. Very respectfully,

H. CLAY EVANS, Commissioner.
—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A KING'S APPAREL.

The Crown, One Shirt, One Pair of Epaulettes and Three Feathers.

An order which has been received in England from a dusky monarch in a British colony, for his regal robes and crown, indicates that civilization is making very rapid progress in West Africa. The kings who were content to be clothed solely in a top hat and a pair of anklets, if they have not actually all gone, are fast disappearing, says the London Telegraph.

The enumeration of the articles asked for will no doubt be of interest as showing the clothing of a king—in West Africa. They are:

One pair trousers, black superfine cloth, embossed in rich, heavy silk.
One shirt, black superfine cloth, embossed with gilt, straight lines of gilt braid.

One mantel to design, lined black silk, embossed all around edge in gilt oak leaf, with fixtures for epaulettes.
One gilt nine-inch crown.

One pair epaulettes, with gilt tops and gilt fringe.

One cap to design (star in center).

Three feathers for ditto.

Six yards silk lining.

It is a circumstance worthy of note that a cap (star in center), with three feathers, is an indication of royalty in Africa when the crown (gilt, nine-inch) is absent, and also that his majesty is the proud possessor of one shirt and one pair of trousers.

Black Art in Eating.

Although the culinary has in the last 20 years made rapid strides, there is a certain sameness about dinner-parties which, to the habitual diner-out, comes but little short of dull monotony. A lady in Kensington originated the idea of giving every year a memorial dinner on the anniversary of her husband's death. The dining-room was draped for the occasion in mauve and black. The tablecloth was of mauve silk, and the only decorations used were violets. The ladies were gowning either in black or mauve, and the footmen were dressed in black breeches and coats and mauve silk stockings. On either side of the hostess sat two black poodles, excellently clipped after the approved French fashion, with mauve colored bows on their necks. The menu was remarkable for the absence of any color in the viands, save mauve, the rest being either black or white.

Silk in Madagascar.

In Madagascar silk is so cheap that it is the only fabric used in the manufacture of clothing.

Probate of Will.

MARGARET H. WALKER'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss.

In Probate Court, held at the Probate office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said district, on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1897.

An instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret H. Walker, late of St. Johnsbury, in said district, deceased, being presented to court by James S. Weeks, the executor therein named, for probate: It is ordered by said court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said court, to be held at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1897, and show cause, if any they have, against the probate of said will, for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian, printed at St. Johnsbury, previous to said time appointed for hearing.

By the Court, Attest:

WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

A true copy of Record, Attest:

WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

Probate of Will.

EMILY TRUSSELL'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss.

In Probate Court, held at the Probate office in St. Johnsbury, within and for said district, on the 29th day of November, A. D. 1897.

An instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Emily Trussell, late of Danville, in said district, deceased, being presented to court by Charles D. Brainerd, the executor therein named, for probate:

It is ordered by said court that all persons concerned therein be notified to appear at a session of said court, to be held at the Probate office in St. Johnsbury, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1897, and show cause, if any they have, against the probate of said will, for which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively in the Caledonian, printed at St. Johnsbury, previous to said time appointed for hearing.

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